

sion, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District, Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District, South Coast Air Quality Management District (direct final) (FRL-5466-1) received May 2, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2823. A letter from the Managing Director, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Implementation of Section 204(a) and 204(c) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Broadcast License Renewal Procedures) received May 3, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2824. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for production of major military equipment with Korea (Transmittal No. DTC-17-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(d); to the Committee on International Relations.

2825. A letter from the Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, transmitting the Bureau's final rule—Removal of Certain Restrictions on Importation of Defense Articles and Defense Services from the Russian Federation (27 CFR part 47) received May 3, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

2826. A letter from the Executive Director, District of Columbia Retirement Board, transmitting the personal financial disclosure statements of Board members, pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-732 and 1-734(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2827. A letter from the NARA Regulatory Policy Official, National Archives, transmitting the Archives' final rule—Disposition of Federal Records (RIN: 3095-AA65) received May 2, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2828. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting notification that it is in the public interest to use procedures other than full and open competition to award a particular Department of the Interior program, pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 253(c)(7); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2829. A letter from the Chief, Forest Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Smith River National Recreation Area (RIN: 0596-AB39) received May 3, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

2830. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Amendment to Requirements for Authorized State Permit Programs under Section 402 of the Clean Water Act (FLR-5500-9) received May 2, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2831. A letter from the Associate Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, transmitting the Institute's final rule—Grant Funds—Materials Science and Engineering Laboratory—Availability of Funds (RIN: 0693-ZA02) received May 2, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

2832. A letter from the Associate director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, transmitting the Institute's final rule—Continuation of Fire Research Grants Program—Availability of Funds (RIN: 0963-ZA06) received May 3, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

2833. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Depart-

ment's final rule—VA Acquisition Regulations: Loan Guaranty and Vocational Rehabilitation and Counseling Programs (RIN: 2900-AG65) received May 3, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

2834. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Delegation of Authority to Order Advertising for Use in Recruitment (RIN: 2900-AH74) received May 3, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

2835. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Servicemen's and Veterans' Group Life Insurance (RIN: 2900-AH50) received May 3, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

2836. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Revenue Ruling 96-26—received May 3, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2837. A letter from the Deputy Under Secretary for Environmental Security, Department of Defense, transmitting an interim summary report on the DOD Environmental Scholarships and Fellowships Programs, pursuant to Public Law 102-484, section 4451(j) (106 Stat. 2737) and Public Law 103-160, section 1333(h)(2) (107 Stat. 1800); jointly, to the Committees on National Security and Economic and Educational Opportunities.

2838. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation entitled the "Statistical Confidentiality Act"; jointly, to the Committees on Government Reform and Oversight, Commerce, the Judiciary, Science, and Economic and Educational Opportunities.

52.3 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment bills of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 2064. An Act to grant the consent of Congress to an amendment of the Historic Chattahoochee Compact between the States of Alabama and Georgia; and

H.R. 2243. An Act to amend the Trinity River Basin Fish and Wildlife Management Act of 1984, to extend for three years the availability of moneys for the restoration of fish and wildlife in the Trinity River, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested, bills of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 1743. An Act to amend the Water Resources Research Act of 1984 to extend the authorizations of appropriations through fiscal year 2000, and for other purposes; and

H.R. 1836. An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire property in the town of East Hampton, Suffolk County, New York, for inclusion in the Amagansett National Wildlife Refuge.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed bills of the following titles, in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 811. An Act to authorize research into the desalinization and reclamation of water and authorize a program for States, cities, or qualifying agencies desiring to own and oper-

ate a water desalinization or reclamation facility to develop such facilities, and for other purposes; and

S. 1720. An Act to establish the Nicodemus National Historic Site and the New Bedford National Historic Landmark.

The message also announced that the Senate agrees to the report of the committee on conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the House to the bill (S. 641) "An Act to reauthorize the Ryan White CARE Act of 1990, and for other purposes."

The message also announced that pursuant to sections 276d-276g of title 22, United States Code, as amended, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. HATCH, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. PRESSLER, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GORTON, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. MACK, Mr. BURNS, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. DEWINE, and Mr. GRAMS, as members of the Senate delegation to the Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group during the 2d Session of the 104th Congress, to be held in southeast Alaska, May 10-14, 1996.

The message also announced that pursuant to sections 276h-276k of title 22, United States Code, as amended, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. BROWN, and Mr. COVERDELL, as members of the Senate delegation to the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary Group during the 2d Session of the 104th Congress, to be held in Zacatecas, Mexico, May 3-5, 1996.

52.4 COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The SPEAKER laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, May 2, 1996.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker, House of Representatives.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 5 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have the honor to transmit a sealed envelope received from the White House on Thursday, May 2nd at 4:15 p.m. and said to contain a message from the President wherein he returns without his approval H.R. 956, the "Common Sense Product Liability Legal Reform Act of 1996."

With warm regards,
ROBIN H. CARLE,
Clerk, House of Representatives.

52.5 VETO OF H.R. 956

The Clerk then read the veto message from the President, as follows:

To the House of Representatives:

I am returning herewith without my approval H.R. 956, the "Common Sense Product Liability Legal Reform Act of 1996."

I support real commonsense product liability reform. To deserve that label, however, legislation must adequately protect the interests of consumers, in addition to the interests of manufacturers and sellers. Further, the legislation must respect the important role of the States in our Federal system. The